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LARGEST STUDENT BODY IN HISTORY

211 ALL-TIME HIGH

In the face of a general decline in college enrollments this year, Bryan University opened its doors last week to the largest number of students in its history. Two hundred eleven students have come from twenty-three states and one foreign country. Heading the list with the largest number of representatives is Ohio with a grand total of forty-eight students. Indiana takes second place with twenty-seven, and Pennsylvania third place with twenty-four. The other states, in order, with the number of students from each follow:

Michigan	11
Texas	10
Virginia	9
New Jersey	9
Florida	8
Illinois	8
Tennessee	8
Missouri	8
New York	6
Kentucky	5
Iowa	5
West Virginia	5
Wisconsin	3
Georgia	3
Oklahoma	2
Maryland	2
Nebraska	2
North Carolina	2
Colorado	2
Kansas	1

In addition there are three students born in Africa of missionary parents. Such a cosmopolitan group of young Christians offers ample opportunity to become acquainted with students from other states and lands.

19th ANNUAL Bible Conference

October 23-30

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Write for Program



ALUMNI PRESENT NEON SIGN

Strangers coming in Dayton will now find a very attractive neon sign marking the way to Bryan Hill and the University campus. The gift of the Alumni Association, the sign is lighted in red letters reading BRYAN UNIVERSITY. Underneath, in green neon, is a large arrow pointing down Third Avenue.

Backing the neon letters are large white letters on a black background, making the sign easily readable during the day.

To the Alumni — a hearty thanks from the many who will be helped by the sign.

TALENTS GALORE AMONG FRESHMEN

Talents galore! That's what was discovered hidden among the members of the class of '53 when Talent Nite was observed on September twentieth. Some among the class and some of the upper classmen "told off" on their friends and helped in the annual hunt for talent. In a few cases

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Morris Morgan, Prof. Fish, and Paul Barger, a city electrician, erect the new neon sign.

A Worthwhile Investment

Most of you readers of the NEWS-ETTE are fully convinced that definitely Christian education is worthwhile. You have seen the results in the lives of American young people of education that is anti-Christian or only nominally Christian. You believe that the students at Bryan University will go out to bless the world with positive testimonies for Christ and the Bible, but have you considered Bryan University as the best possible place for you to invest some of the Lord's money?

Over and above the income received from students we must have a gift income of \$100.00 per day to operate this definitely Christian college now training more than 200 select Christian young people. Think of what is being accomplished at a net cost of approximately 50c per day per student! For how many days each month will you be responsible for this net cost of one student? Just think, 365 friends giving \$100.00 each can underwrite the total annual net cost of training this year's enrollment of 211 students! What will you invest?

In the beginning - God

Professor Norman Uphouse

The reading of a lecture from the book *IN HIS IMAGE*, by William Jennings Bryan, proved to be such a blessing to the writer that he offers for consideration some of its main points.

In the introduction to the book, Mr. Bryan set forth the principal arguments used to prove the existence of a God. These have been variously numbered and named. For his use, he decided upon the outline given by Dr. Charles Hodge the celebrated theologian of a few years ago.

I. The a priori argument which seeks to demonstrate the being of a God from certain first principles involved in the essential laws of human intelligence.

II. The cosmological argument, or that one which proceeds after the posteriori fashion, from the present existence of the world as an effect, to the necessary existence of some ultimate and eternal first cause.

III. The teleological argument, or that argument which, from the evidence of design in creation, seeks to establish the fact that the great self-existent first cause of all things is an intelligent and voluntary personal spirit.

IV. The moral argument, or that argument which, from a consideration of the phenomena of conscience in the human heart, seeks to establish the fact that the self-existent Creator is also the righteous moral Governor of the world.

V. The historical argument, which involves: (1) The evident providential presence of God in the history of the human race. (2) The evidence afforded by history that the human race is not eternal, and therefore not an infinite succession of individuals, but created. (3) The universal consent of all men to the fact of His existence.

VI. The Scriptural argument, which includes: (1) The miracles and prophecies recorded in Scripture, and confirmed by testimony, proving the existence of a God. (2) The Bible itself, self-evidently a work of superhuman wisdom. (3) Revelation, developing and enlightening conscience, and relieving many of the difficulties under which natural theism labours, and thus confirming every other line of evidence."

These arguments corroborate one another, and taken together, they strengthen our belief in God's existence. Mr. Bryan used them to meet agnosticism and atheism. Using his own words, we find, "The Bible's proof of God becomes increasingly necessary to meet the agnosticism and atheism that are the outgrowth of modern mind-worship."

"Belief in God," said Mr. Bryan, "is necessary to prayer. It is not sufficient to believe that there is an Intelligence permeating the universe; nothing less than a personal God—a God interested in each one of His

Classes Elect Leaders

Once again political problems have held the limelight on Bryan Hill while classes have elected their officers, student council representatives, and faculty sponsors. Results of the elections follow:

FRESHMAN CLASS

President.....Dean Koontz, Gary, Ind.
Vice-Pres.....George Huffman, Gary, Ind.
Secretary.....Elizabeth Congdon, Des Moines, Ia.
Treasurer.....Howard Addleman, Curwensville, Pa.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

President.....Richard McIntosh, Norwalk, O.
Vice-Pres.....Ronald Meznar, Cleveland, O.
Secretary.....Grace Coventry, Buffalo, N. Y.
Treasurer.....Maxine Lykens, Altoona, Pa.
Student Council Rep.....Lucy Williams, Newport, Ky.
Ross King, Peru, Ind.

JUNIOR CLASS

President.....Lauren Hoyt, Binghamton, N. Y.
Vice-Pres.....Roy Clark, Buffalo, N. Y.
Secretary.....Mildred McBride, Mansfield, O.
Treasurer.....Robert Davis, Mineral Ridge, O.
Student Council Rep.....Ruth Sutton, Evans City, Pa.
Charles Kirtley, Union Star, Mo.

SENIOR CLASS

President.....Robert Murphey, Willoughby, O.
Vice-Pres.....Lester Farrington, Valparaiso, Ind.
Secretary.....Fae Hawthorne, Richmond, Va.
Treasurer.....Glen Schwenk, LaPorte, Ind.
Student Council Rep.....Suzanne Miller, Winona Lake, Ind.
Wayne Snider, Roaring Spring, Pa.

children and ready to give at any moment the aid that is needed—nothing less than this can lead one to communion with the Heavenly Father through prayer."

Again, he states: "Belief in God is the basis of every moral code. Morality cannot be put on as a garment and taken off at will. It is a power within; it works out from the heart as a spring pours forth its flood."

Finally, "Belief in God is necessary to belief in immortality. If there is no God there is no hereafter. When, therefore, one drives God out of the universe, he closes the door of hope upon himself. . . If one actually thinks that man dies as the brute dies, he will yield more easily to the temptation to do injustice to his neighbor when the circumstances are such as to promise security from detection."

These salient points remind us once more of the strong faith of this great man of God. We too, need to be men and women of conviction and be ready to give an answer for our faith in God and His dear Son, our Savior.

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"Privately endowed and supported colleges and universities have always got to be ahead of the procession."—Henry Ford II.



From my heart to you

My heart was warmed recently to receive indirectly from a Mother the following testimony:

"I guess I have told you before, in a hurried way, how one year at Bryan has changed our boy. His outlook spiritually is so much deeper and broader. It is such a joy to know he is so willing to train himself for the Lord's work when there are so many things, it seems, to tempt young people these days."

In addition to such obvious results in the lives of many individual students we have plenty of other things to encourage us, including our largest student body, our largest faculty and staff, the great improvement in material facilities in recent years, and the progress made on the main memorial building during this past summer. I can't name a single discouraging factor at this present moment, but I am acutely aware of the terrific pressure under which we labor to maintain our line of progress. There is a tremendous need to reach more young people for Christ and so few who apprehend that need.

"The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest." Luke 10:2.

The harvest time is so short and so many things can happen during that time to keep the fruits of our labors from being harvested. It is with a deep sense of urgency that I ask our friends to pray earnestly and give generously to maintain and enlarge Bryan's testimony to Christ and the Bible.

Earnestly yours in Christ,

Judson R. Rudd

President.

"Perhaps we need more imagination, stimulation and leadership, and less ivy."—Henry Ford II.

THE NEWSETTE

RECREATION ROOM

The repairing of furniture for the recreation room and dormitories was accomplished last week by several friends from the city.

The furniture, obtained largely by Elmer Kelly from Chattanooga and Dayton furniture stores, was renewed through the efforts of a crew of eleven including Rev. and Mrs. Carl Athearn, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. West, Mr. and Mrs. John Cary, Mrs. Walter Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fraim, Jack Richardson, and Mrs. Marie Pogue.

Bryan University wishes to express again its sincere appreciation to all of these for their competent and faithful service.

ORIENTATION

"What does Bryan teach, and Why?" might well have been the motto for the Freshmen conference day. Following the annual placement tests given in the morning, the students spent part of the afternoon listening to several faculty members. With Dean Ryther in charge, Dr. Rudd welcomed the class; Prof. Fish presented the possibilities and the advantages of the math major; Prof. Dixon discussed his field of major interest, chemistry; Miss Batson talked about English and history; and Miss Halloin told the class about the biological sciences. Prof. Hoyt explained what foreign languages would mean to them. The Bible department was represented by Dean Uphouse.

The evening was spent viewing the picture shown by Dean Ryther. Once used on the Gospel Singers' tour, the film is now shown on Freshmen Night and serves to give the new students a pictorial history of Bryan's earlier days.

EVOLUTION DISCOUNTED

From the day that Darwin's theory of evolution became generally accepted in scientific circles, intellectuals have heaped scorn and ridicule upon the Bible story of creation. Anyone daring to maintain that the Bible record is correct was laughed at as ignorant and unscientific.

But now two scientists, Dr. R. A. Alpher and Dr. R. Herman, Johns-Hopkins physicists, have declared it to be their conviction that creation, instead of occupying millions of years, could have been accomplished in three years. Basing their figures on the life span of the neutron, they are reported as saying that "At the moment of explosion (the Bible says, 'let

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HEART TO HEART—From a Bryan Graduate

I believe that together as Bryanites we can all join hands across the miles and say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

As we look at the other schools and see the way they have progressed, sometimes we grow discouraged and wonder why we don't shoot ahead like greased lightning. But, how wonderful to realize that our God has a different purpose for each of our lives and a different purpose for each of the schools He has established. How we can praise Him that we can see His hand working day by day in the way that He sees best.

I wish only that each one that is interested in Bryan could see for himself what He can do with a group of students that are really given over to Him.

You know, after we who have graduated get away from the Hill we begin to realize all of the opportunities we missed while we were there. The prayer meetings, the C. S. A. meetings, the practical work, and, oh, so many others. Little did we realize as we rushed along that in the years to come it was to be the experiences gained from a visit to a family up in the mountains, a spoken word to a friend at street meeting, or a tract passed out in the drugstore that was to help us today as we labor together for Him.

What am I trying to say? It's this—Don't wait until you graduate before you begin to realize what Bryan holds for you. Begin today to appreciate all that our school holds for you.

Do the studies seem too hard? Are the rules a burden for you? Are inconveniences too much for you? Thank the Lord for each and give your all for Him and for His work there, where He has placed you, for in the future it will be the hard places that we will realize have molded our lives into what they are.

"Boast not thyself of tomorrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth." Prov. 27:1.

May the Lord bless each of you today and use you to His honor and glory.

In Him,

LaVERNE HOWLAND TEDDER, '47

Romans 15:21.

Faculty and Staff Members Added

Bryan University welcomes another new member of the teaching faculty. Peter Skanse, a graduate of Wheaton College, and a candidate for the Master's degree from the Graduate School of Missions, Columbia Bible College, Columbia, South Carolina, will be the new instructor in Spanish and counselor of the Chapel Dormitory students. He also attended Northwestern Bible School, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Iowa State University.

Although a young man, Mr. Skanse has already had a rather varied experience in the teaching field.

He was Instructor at Cedars of Lebanon Theological Seminary, Pinar del Rio, Cuba; Professor at Midwest Bible and Missionary Institute, St. Louis, Missouri; Tutor in Spanish, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois; and private tutor in Spanish, Asheville, North Carolina.

there be light") there were no elements, only separate particles. From that moment," they say, "it took from one thousand to ten thousand seconds for the protons, neutrons, and electrons to group themselves together into the known natural elements. From these elements, the earth, the sun, stars, and galaxies were formed."

Whether or not God employed the

Strengthening the administrative staff of the University, Willard L. Archer comes as Executive Secretary with special responsibility for the 1950 Anniversary Celebration observing the 25th anniversary of the famous Bryan-Darrow Court Trial and the 20th anniversary of the school which was founded as a memorial to the Great Commoner.

Reared in Menomonie, Wisconsin, he received his first advanced education at Stout Institute, a state college located in that city. His theological training was received at Miltonvale Wesleyan College, Miltonvale, Kansas. Later he graduated from Chicago Evangelistic Institute. With specialized courses in the New York University Summer School at Chataqua, New York, he has had a wide and varied experience in Christian service and education, particularly in the field of public relations. He and his family are already on Bryan Hill, and he is busy getting acquainted with the University family and the historical background of the University.

mysterious processes of "nuclear fission" when "He spake, and it was done," we shall not know until He sees fit to reveal all the secrets of the universe, but at least we can take

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HEAR "STEEL JOIST" SPEAK

Grahn, Kentucky.

To the Bryan University:

As I read the August NEWSLETTE I saw the price of some materials (given in the article "A Steel Joist Speaks").

100 sq. ft. of top lath\$ 8.50
100 sq. ft. of reinforcing mesh... 2.44
100 lath clips 4.67

I figure this.....\$15.61

It is a pleasure to have this part in your building program. I am sending check for \$16.00.

T. O. A.

Dayton, Tennessee.

Dear President Rudd:

Enclosed you will find \$24.12 contributed by the BRYAN SUMMER FAMILY (students and staff members eating in the Boarding Department) to purchase two of the large steel joists at \$12.06 each. In order that individual receipts may be written, the donors are listed. This is in appreciation of all that BRYAN has given us this summer. Ruth 2:12.

BRYAN SUMMER FAMILY.
by IRM.

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modesty was laid aside—after considerable urging and threatening—and freshmen confessed their abilities. All in all, a program of singing, group and individual, instrumental numbers, a chalk talk, and Gospel magic provided an evening which proved to be highly entertaining and a real blessing to the Bryan Family.

To a very promising class of young men and women, the Class of '33, NEWSLETTE extends a warm welcome and hearty congratulations.

"Intelligence apparently is not enough. It may be that the biggest problems of our time will not be solved by scientists, but by an increased recognition of the importance of moral and spiritual leadership and character."—Henry Ford II.

Christ Above All

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FUEL FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

THE PRAYER CLOSET

"And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us.

And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him." I John 5:14, 15.

1. Since the war we have had a year-by-year increase in the size of the student body. Pray for the 211 students who have enrolled for this year. Also for the wives and children.

2. To strengthen the staff and prepare for better recognition, we have employed our largest staff. Since there has been no general increase in salaries to cover higher living expenses, we must pay the salaries in full this year. Pray for the \$3,000 monthly gift income needed for operation.

3. Much has been accomplished this summer on the Main Memorial Building. It is urgent that we continue construction until the building is completed. Pray for the large sums of money needed for this construction.

4. The annual Bible conferences have always been of great blessing to the students and staff members. Pray for the blessings of Christ on the Nineteenth Annual Bible Conference, scheduled on the campus for October 23-30.

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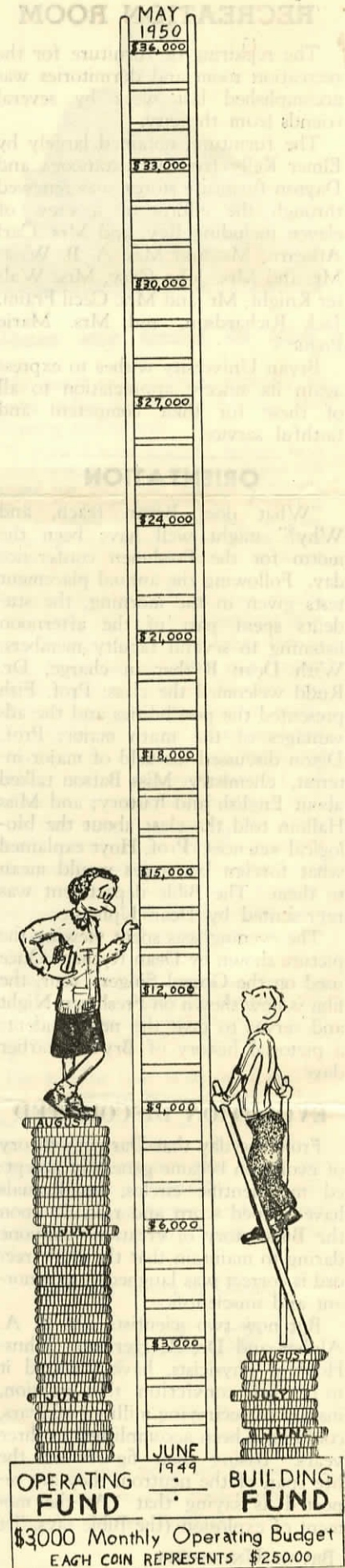
comfort from the fact that scientists of repute have at last admitted that a sudden creation was not only possible but probable, and, by deduction, that the long aeons of evolution were not only unnecessary, but absolutely absurd.—Home Missions.

(The theory of evolution was proposed centuries before Darwin, and Darwinian Evolution was out-of-date before he died. There have always been outstanding scientists who did not accept the theory. Evolution has never been more than "so-called" science. J. A. R.)

AUGUST REPORT

Undesignated:

Gospel Singers (offerings) \$ 931.02
MSM 555.35
Other 1,203.25
Designated to Plant Fund: 912.04
(MSM.....\$53.00)
Total Gifts for August..... \$3,601.66
Grand Total (three months)\$11,430.84



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